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Majority prices were unchanged in the West, unchanged to lower, mostly lower elsewhere. Trade sentiment was weak and unsettled in the East, mostly steady to barely steady in all other areas. Retail demand was light to fair. Food service was mixed with best movement into fast food, restaurants, and resort areas. Supplies were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, wings were balanced to short and clearing well, and bone-in breasts were adequate to close balanced with increased interest. All other items were at least adequate with light trading. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Although parts of the East reported some affects on sizes due to heat, weights were mostly desirable.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 07/19-07/24/99 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	54.50-55.50	54.67	18	60.17	36
Chicago	49.00-53.00	53.47	51	55.57	78
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	60.01	25
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	63.36	14
Denver	65.50	65.37	17	64.67	22
Detroit	46.00-54.00	53.54	18	55.35	48
Los Angeles	66.00	65.13	75	63.89	117
New York	49.00-56.00	53.29	55	56.52	92
Philadelphia	49.00-53.00	51.78	9	55.59	28
Pittsburgh	51.50-53.00	52.40	10	57.47	59
St. Louis	54.00	53.82	19	55.48	45
San Francisco	66.50	66.03	37	66.04	70

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	07/19/99	Change/Last Wk	07/12/99	07/20/98
634	59.14	-1.25	60.39	68.68

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	56.00-62.00	57.36	35
Central	56.00-61.00	59.22	56
West	56.00-71.00	60.02	41

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	58.00-61.00	59.74	89
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 61.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,204	45.00-66.00	59.56

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice pack parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	162.00	4,454
BREASTS - WHOLE	80.00	2,474
THIGH MEAT - B/S	66.50	574
LEG QUARTERS	22.50	9,236
WINGS	51.50	3,297

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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady at best. Demand was light to moderate for food service, best into fast food. Retail demand was mostly fair. Supplies were sufficient to handle current trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was moderate to good for wings, fair for all other items. Supplies were at least adequate, balanced to short for wings. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

WEST COAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS The market tone was steady. Final majority prices were unchanged from last week. Offerings were generally adequate on lighter sizes; 3 pounds and over were fully adequate to ample. Buyer interest was no better than fair. Demand was mostly moderate, best for fast food. The market tone was generally steady with wings fully steady to firm. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was 56.59 down .40 with the volume reported down 24 percent at 23 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were lower in all areas with Ohio reporting TFEWR from last Monday's final majority. Trade sentiment on whole fryers was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light with food service movement fair to instances good. Floor stocks were mostly adequate with sizes in a desirable range. Parts trading was moderate at best with wings and whole breasts most active. Supplies were adequate on all items with wings in the shortest position. Parts trade sentiment was fully steady on wings and steady on the remainder of items.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light. Offerings were irregularly available as weather has continued to affect growth. Retail and distributive movement was mixed with best demand noted in resort areas and into fast food and restaurant accounts. The market tone was barely steady to weak. In the parts market, product was fully adequate to cover the mostly light demand.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light and unaggressive. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample for immediate delivery. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights varied in a full range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 56 to 68 cents. Trade sentiment was unsettled to weak with most plants noting no significant affects on production due to hot and humid weather through the weekend. In the parts complex, wings continued to clear well. Other items were readily available for the light and spotty buying interest.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR
IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP
SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK
CITY FROM DELMARVA. **BRANDED U.S. GRADE A**
RANGE 45-77
WEIGHTED AVERAGE 60.89
NO. OF BOXES 7,302

*6 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was mixed and generally of a lighter than usual volume. Offerings, although not overwhelming, seemed that way because of the dismal and lackluster demand. Demand was best for fast food/restaurant accounts and into typical summer resort areas. In most metropolitan areas, business was a struggle. The market tone was barely steady to weak with underlying trade sentiment extremely cautious. PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	145-155	155.97	513,920
TENDERLOINS	-	139.60	54,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	70-71	76.34	180,680
BREAST - LINE RUN	70	72.08	95,120
LEGS	29-30	33.97	193,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18-19	19.29	247,840
DRUMSTICKS	30-31	33.48	81,750
THIGHS	17-18	23.44	91,600
B/S THIGHS	70-71	72.07	29,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	52-53	60.88	124,000
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.13	18,600
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	24.94	15,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35-40	39.59	31,800

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	749	145.00-171.00	145-150	153.27
TENDERLOINS	148	145.00-202.00	-	176.26
BREAST - WITH RIBS	-	-	-	-
FRONT HALVES	600	55.00-72.00	59-61	61.34
LEGS	-	-	-	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38	22.00-23.00	22	22.21
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,448	22.00-24.00	22	22.07
WINGS (WHOLE)	91	44.00-56.00	44-47	45.46
DRUMSTICKS	176	28.00-44.00	28	29.44
THIGHS	-	-	-	-

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/19	07/15	07/15	07/12	07/08
ALA	3,906	3,813	5.06	3,747	4.99
ARK	5,237	5,079	4.94	4,976	4.93
DELMARVA	2,421	2,413	4.98	2,404	4.93
KY-LA-TN	1,755	1,809	4.47	1,698	4.36
MISS	2,781	2,806	4.95	2,758	4.87
NC	2,601	2,650	5.38	2,280	5.44
TEXAS	2,078	2,093	4.66	2,069	4.64
TOTAL	20,779	20,663	4.96	19,932	4.91
MON	20,779(A)	-	-	19,932(A)	-

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Jul 1999 is estimated to be 31,088,000 up 3.94 percent from a week ago and up 8.05 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 29,910,000, last year 28,773,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND. POUNDS

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	764	147.00-196.50	150-155	157.25
TENDERLOINS	199	135.00-200.00	135-140	169.75
BREAST - LINE RUN	139	60.00-75.00	-	70.03
FRONT HALVES	70	54.00-71.00	-	61.75
LEGS	-	TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	391	18.00-20.00	19	18.57
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,454	19.50-22.00	20-21	20.84
WINGS (WHOLE)	184	40.00-55.00	-	48.73
WINGS (CUT)	481	61.00-69.00	61-63	62.13
DRUMSTICKS	-	TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
THIGHS	-	TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	-
B/S THIGHS	88	54.50-72.00	-	58.59

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR JULY 19, 1999 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
36.00 - 45.50	40.16	43.11

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION PARTS PRICES PER LB., ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 07/19-07/23/99

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	150.00 - 185.00	155.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	72.00 - 79.00	72.00 - 73.00
LEGS	29.00 - 36.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 25.00	20.00 - 24.00
DRUMSTICKS	32.00 - 50.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	45.00 - 62.00	47.00 - 48.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 12.00	-
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	25.00 - 39.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30.00 - 43.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

CENTS PER POUND. RANGE

WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	79-92
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	80-98
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	88-93
FROZEN DUCKS	145-149
FROZEN SQUABS	589

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	82-84
ROASTERS 4# & UP	82-90
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	83-91
DUCKS	135
RABBITS-WHOLE	334-359
RABBITS-CUT UP	351-376

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	92-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	108
	ICE PACK	104-110
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	98
	ICE PACK	92
DUCKS	-	149-166

EASTERN REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. July 16,1999

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00	-	18.00	18.00
WTD AVERAGE	16.00		18.00	18.00

716,000 pounds, this includes 320,000 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.00	16.50	-	17.00
WTD AVERAGE	15.00	16.50		17.00

600,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%

RANGE	12.25-17.00	14.00	12.00-13.50	13.00-15.00
WTD AVERAGE	16.13	14.00	12.98	14.22

2,891,680 pounds, this includes 400,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN REPORT Prices were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 LBS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 19-JUL-99

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	10-19.5	15.5-17.5	16.78

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. July 16,1999

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	14.00-15.00	-
WTD AVERAGE			14.33	

122,400 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%

RANGE	13.00	-	11.00-13.00	13.00-14.00
WTD AVERAGE	13.00		11.23	13.43

2,001,200 pounds, this includes 104,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	12.00-14.00	-
WTD AVERAGE			13.20	

204,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN REPORT Prices were irregular when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for fully adequate to ample offerings. Schedules were usually normal. Undertone was mixed but mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 19-JUL-99

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-19	16-17	15.76
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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